

Westminster Legal Policy Forum Keynote Seminar: The future of sentencing policy - short term sentences and reducing re-offending

Date: Morning, 1st December 2010

Venue: Sixty One Whitehall, London SW1A 2ET

Agenda subject to change

- 8.45 - 9.00 Registration
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chairman's opening remarks**
Karl Turner MP, Member, Justice Select Committee
- 9.05 - 9.25 **Offender rehabilitation and sentencing - the public's view**
Annabelle Phillips, Head, Crime and Justice Research, Social Research Institute, Ipsos MORI
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.25 - 10.00 **The future of sentencing policy - short term sentences and reducing re-offending**

Aileen Murphie, Director, Home Affairs and Criminal Justice Value for Money Studies, National Audit Office

Paddy Scriven, General Secretary, Prison Governors Association

John Thornhill JP, Chairman, Magistrates' Association

Juliet Lyon, Director, Prison Reform Trust

Sue Hall, Chief Executive, West Yorkshire Probation Trust and Chair, Probation Chiefs Association

Bobby Cummines, Chief Executive, Unlock and ex-offender
- 10.00 - 10.25 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.25 - 10.45 **The victim's perspective**
Louise Casey, Commissioner for Victims and Witnesses
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.45 - 11.10 **Transparency and sentencing - the role of the Sentencing Council**
Lord Justice Leveson, Chairman, Sentencing Council for England and Wales
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.10 - 11.15 **Chairman's closing remarks**
Karl Turner MP, Member, Justice Select Committee
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- 11.40 - 11.45 **Chairman's opening remarks**
Baroness Newlove of Warrington, Government Champion for Active and Safer Communities
- 11.45 - 12.05 **The view from Scotland - 'the presumption against prison sentences of 3 months or less'**
Dr Wilma Dickson, Deputy Director, Community Justice Division, Scottish Government
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.05 - 12.30 **The view from the Parole Board**
Sir David Latham, Chairman, Parole Board for England and Wales
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 - 12.55 **The current policy context**
Helen Edwards, Director General, Justice Policy Group, Ministry of Justice
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chairman's and Westminster Legal Policy Forum thanks and closing remarks**
Baroness Newlove of Warrington, Government Champion for Active and Safer Communities
Sean Cudmore, Senior Producer, Westminster Legal Policy Forum